

APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR REPRODUCING AS WELL AS COMPUTER-READABLE STORAGE MEDIUM

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PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To comfortably reproduce a program by a method wherein image data is reproduced according to a set reproducing program, the image data is stored in a memory means and the read operation of the image data from the memory means is controlled. **SOLUTION:** When a program is reproduced, the total seek time is estimated on the basis of a set reproducing program and on the basis of TOC data. On the basis of the estimated seek time, the read timing (the delay time from the start of the reproducing operation of the program) of reproducing image data from a memory is controlled. Consequently, the image data from the memory is read out. That is to say, after the reproducing image data is outputted, the image data is not interrupted in the halfway. As a result, when the image data which is reproduced, e.g. by reproducing the program is dubbed so as to be recorded in another apparatus it is not required to repeat the stop and the restart of a reproducing operation due to the interruption of the reproducing image data at the destination of its dubbing operation and the dubbing operation can be performed comfortably.

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